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IV. Division of Environmental & Regulatory Services

A. Farm Tank Coverage

Intent: Match PECFA farm tank coverage to the PECFA provisions on farm income. This will allow more flexibility and coverage options.

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Currently, the PECFA fund provides coverage for smaller farm tank systems on active farms that meet specific criteria. The criteria are (1) the claimant owns a parcel of 35 or more acres of contiguous land which is devoted primarily to agricultural use and (2) the 35 or more acres produced gross farm profits of not less than \$6,000 in the year preceding submission of a claim or \$18,000 in the 3 years preceding the submission. The statute criteria were designed to allow only active farms to obtain assistance from the fund. Coverage was not provided to farms that were being subdivided or taken out of agricultural use. The most restrictive part of the criteria, is the "ownership" requirement, which clearly states that to be a claimant, the individual must own the parcel of land at time of claim submittal.

As written, the claimant must meet the ownership criteria at the time of claim submittal. There is no latitude in the wording as there is with the income criteria, which allows the income level to be met in the year or "3 years preceding submission of a claim." If an individual sells his or her farm property prior to filing his or her first claim, he or she loses eligibility. This complicated process has caused a number of owners, who expected to have program coverage, to be denied assistance

Proposed Change: Modify 101.143 (4) (ei), Stats., to allow similar requirements for farm tank ownership as farm income. The provision on farm income, located in 101.143

(4) (ei), Stats., requires that the 35 or more acres produced gross farm profits of not less than \$6,000 in the year preceding submission of a claim or \$18,000 in the 3 years preceding the submission. The change should match the income time frames to the ownership time frames. The proposed change has two parts:

- 101.143 (4) (ei), Stats., should be modified to provide for ownership in the previous three years or require ownership only at the time of initial eligibility determination. The change could be accomplished by modifying the term "owns" to "owns or owned" and/or "owns at the time of initial eligibility determination".
- 101.143 (4) (ei), Stats., should also be modified to clarify the property owned, producing farm income and with coverage is the property where the eligible tank system is located. The change would simplify and clarify coverage.

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1. b. of the statutes; **relating to:** coverage of certain farm tanks under the petroleum storage remedial action program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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History: 1987 a. 399; 1989 a. 31, 254, 255; 1991 a. 39, 82, 269; 1993 a. 16, 301, 416, 491; 1995 a. 27 ss. 3665 to 3683m, 9116 (5); 1995 a. 227, 247, 378, 417; 1997 a. 27, 35, 237, 252, 283; 1999 a. 9, 185.

DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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October 10, 2000

Please review this draft carefully to ensure that it complies with your intent.

I suspect that there are farms on which the residence and petroleum product storage tank are located on a small parcel that is separate from the larger parcel on which the crops (for example) are raised. Those farm tanks would seem to be ineligible for PECFA coverage under this draft.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this.

Rebecca C. Tradewell Managing Attorney Phone: (608) 266–7290

 $E-mail:\ becky.tradewell@legis.state.wi.us$

Tradewell, Becky

From: Sent:

Wong, Manyee Wednesday, December 06, 2000 3:33 PM Tradewell, Becky LRB 0662/1

To: Subject:

Hi Becky,

Please change the requested 3 years to 1 year. Thanks.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau ENVIRONMENT

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Tradewell, Becky

From:

Wong, Manyee

Sent:

Wednesday, December 13, 2000 9:19 AM

To: Subject:

Tradewell, Becky FW: Legislative Drafts

Hi Becky,

Please incorporate Commerce's comments into LRB draft 0664/1 (plan review fee) and 0662/2 (farm tank coverage). Do not, however, use the 36 months Commerce speaks of below. Please use 12 months instead as instructed in my prior email. I am still waiting to talk to Michael Wolffe on the Land Recycling Loan Program issue. I hope to talk to him today and will get back to you as soon as I can.

Thanks. Manyee

----Original Message----

From: Horton, David

Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2000 9:09 AM

To: V

Wong, Manyee

Subject: Legislative Drafts

Hi Manyee,

We have received copies of the PLAN REVIEW FEE transfer and the FARM TANK COVERAGE legislative drafts and have had a chance to review them, including the specific concerns Becky had in her cover page. These are our comments:

1. On the fee draft.

The draft works, but after reviewing the \$1,289,612 amount, it needs to be changed to \$1,280,641.

2. On the farm tank draft.

- In 101.143 (4)(ei)1m. a. on line "19" insert "first" between "a" and "claim" so that it reads "a first claim". This also needs to happen on 101.143 (4) (ei) 1m. b. on line "7" (line will read "farm tank submits a "first" claim under). This will help clarify where the 36 months are measured from.
- Provision on the location of the tank works and will help clarify that the income needs to have come from the property that has/had the tank and cleanup.
- The draft broadens coverage some (which we knew it would) to those that may have sold a farm to a commercial venture. I would tend to include the draft as written and the legislature can trim it back to existent farms if they want to hold the sites to continued farming operations.
- **3.** I also wanted to make sure you got Louie's message that the PECFA INTEREST COST REIMBURSEMENT item should be dropped.

Thanks. Any questions let me know. 6-5860 David.



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DOA:.....Wong – Change PECFA farm tank coverage

FOR 2001–03 BUDGET — NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 AN ACT ...; relating to: coverage of certain farm tanks under the petroleum storage remedial action program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau ENVIRONMENT

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP

Under current law, the department of commerce administers a program to reimburse owners of certain petroleum product storage tanks for a portion of the costs of cleaning up discharges from those tanks. This program is commonly known as PECFA. Farm petroleum product storage tanks of 1,100 gallons or less capacity are covered under PECFA only if the owner of the tank owns at least 35 acres of land devoted primarily to agricultural use that produced gross farm profits of at least \$6,000 in the year before the owner applies for PECFA reimbursement, or gross farm profits of at least \$18,000 during the three years before application, and if the owner received a letter from DNR or the department of commerce indicating that the owner must conduct a cleanup.

This bill expands PECFA coverage of farm tanks so that a farm tank owner who formerly owned at least 35 acres of land devoted primarily to agricultural use is eligible if the owner submits a PECFA claim within one year after he or she transferred ownership of the land, if the land produced gross farm profits of at least \$6,000 in the year before the owner transferred ownership of the land, or gross farm profits of at least \$18,000 during the three years before the owner transferred

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